

**ABSTRACT**

A sample tube assembly incorporating a fluid-tight label chamber, said label chamber being fused to or forming part of the body of the sample tube. The invention also includes a sample tube assembly wherein the tube assembly comprises:-

- (i) a tube portion, the bottom of which is adapted to accept an end cap; and
  - (ii) an end cap adapted to be joined to the bottom of the tube portion; and
  - (iii) a label chamber provided in use by a space between the bottom or outer surface of the bottom of the tube portion and the inner surface of the end cap;
- and wherein the end cap is fused, welded or otherwise joined to the bottom of the tube portion to provide a fluid tight-seal.

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